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# Arkansas Weekly Broiler Report

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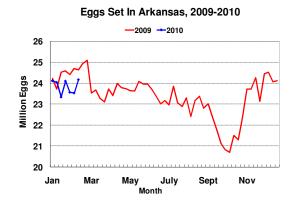
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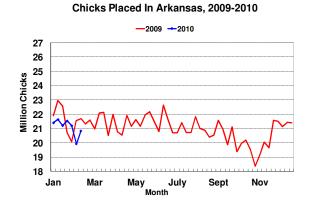
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#### Arkansas Chick Placements Down 4 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 20.8 million during the week ending February 13, 2010. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week in 2009 but up 5 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 24.2 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending February 13, 2010, down 2 percent from the same period last year but up 3 percent from the previous week.





Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, January 16, 2010 - February 13, 2010

State	Eggs Set Week Ending					Chicks Placed Week Ending					
		Thousand					Thousand				
Alabama	28,592	29,409 *	29,678	29,372	29,791	20,813	20,667	20,508	20,420	20,302	
Arkansas	23,347	24,113	23,574	23,537 *	24,180	21,205	21,535	21,191	19,920 *	20,834	
Delaware	3,241	3,010	2,948 *	3,225 *	3,269	4,558	4,521	5,062 *	4,577 *	4,512	
Florida	1,378	1,378	1,388	1,389	1,352	968	962	820	1,081	1,029	
Georgia	31,331	31,567	30,826	31,757 *	31,616	26,671	25,827	26,391	25,908 *	26,447	
Kentucky	7,577 *	7,701 *	7,739	7,586	7,618	6,233	6,564	6,555	6,138	6,289	
Louisiana	3,471	3,439	3,439	3,470	3,392	3,018	2,932	2,965	2,955	2,929	
Maryland	8,712	8,872	8,107	8,741	8,904	6,189	6,008	5,104 *	6,252 *	5,800	
Mississippi	18,838	18,727	18,789	19,281	19,335	16,002	16,016	15,903	16,484	16,259	
N. Carolina	18,515	18,356 *	18,793	18,919	18,632	15,507	14,936	15,235	15,072 *	14,868	
Oklahoma	6,435	6,835 *	6,948	7,151 *	7,108	4,332	5,442	4,260	4,305	4,557	
Pennsylvania	3,799	3,570	3,330	3,168 *	3,601	3,088	3,016	3,099	2,957 *	2,878	
S. Carolina	5,876	5,820	5,830	5,435	5,515	4,126	5,043	4,813	4,613	4,952	
Texas	14,985	14,862	15,744	15,877	15,678	13,195	12,712	12,785	12,407 *	12,255	
Virginia	6,124	6,155 *	6,301	6,301 *	6,490	4,987	4,913 *	5,154	4,412 *	4,731	
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,086	18,516	18,197 *	18,769 *	18,670	16,348	14,974 *	15,613 *	15,757 *	16,117	
19 State Total	200,307 *	202,330 *	201,631 *	203,978 *	205,151	167,240	166,068 *	165,458 *	163,258 *	164,759	
Prev. Year Total	203,806	201,674	198,417	201,805	202,817	167,727	167,469	166,670	168,018	167,039	
% of Prev. Year	98	100	102	101	101	100	99	99	97	99	

<sup>\*</sup> Revised in current week.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 205 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 13, 2010. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## **Broiler Chicks Placed Down 1 Percent**

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 165 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 13, 2010. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through February 13, 2010 were 994 million, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.